



## COVID-19 Protocol – Student Entry & Health Screening

### Overview

Persons who have a fever of 100.4<sup>o</sup> (38.0<sup>o</sup>C) or above or other signs of illness should not be admitted to the facility. Encourage parents to be on the alert for signs of illness in their children and to keep them home when they are sick. Screen children upon arrival, if possible.

There are several methods that facilities can use to protect their workers while conducting temperature screenings. The most protective methods incorporate social distancing (maintaining a distance of 6 feet from others) or physical barriers to eliminate or minimize exposures due to close contact to a child who has symptoms during screening.

### Step #1 – Home Screening

Parents should NOT send sick children to school. Students should not go to school if they have any of the following symptoms:

- Fever (100.4°F) or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle pain or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Students should NOT attend school if they have:

- Within the past 14 days, had contact with anyone who had COVID-19
- Have had a positive COVID-19 diagnosis for active virus in the past 10 days



#### Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

- Parent/Guardian should conduct a daily health screening before child leaves for school.
- Take child's temperature, conduct a check for other symptoms
- Sign, Date, and note child's temperature on personalized label (provided by school)
- Place label on child's clothing so it will be visible by bus driver and/or receiving school staff
- Receiving staff at school will verify parent health attestation and conduct follow up screening at school

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

- Parent/Guardian should conduct a daily health screening before student leaves for school
- DO NOT send student to school if they are sick
- Student will need to complete a verbal health attestation before entrance to school campus

## **Step #2 – Arrival at School (without parent)**

#### (Protocols for Screening Staff)

- Upon arrival, wash your hands and put on a facemask, eye protection (goggles or disposable face shield that fully covers the front and sides of the face), and a single pair of disposable gloves.
  - Wash your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Make a visual inspection of the child for signs of illness, which could include flushed cheeks, rapid breathing or difficulty breathing (without recent physical activity), fatigue, or extreme fussiness.
- Check the child's temperature
  - Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade
    - Students should arrive with a health attestation sticker that is signed and dated by parent/guardian.
  - 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade
    - Ask each student these questions: "Do you have any of these symptoms (refer to list)? Have you had contact with anyone with COVID-19 or have you had a positive COVID-19 test in the past 10 days?"



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- If performing a **temperature check on multiple individuals**, ensure that you use a **clean pair of gloves for each child** and that the **thermometer has been thoroughly cleaned** in between each check.
- If you use disposable or non-contact (temporal) thermometers and you did not have physical contact with the child, you do not need to change gloves before the next check.
- If you use non-contact thermometers, clean them with an alcohol wipe (or isopropyl alcohol on a cotton swab) between each client. You can reuse the same wipe as long as it remains wet.
- After screening is complete, remove and dispose gloves and conduct hand hygiene.

### **Step #2 – Arrival at School (with parent)**

- Ask parents/guardians to take their child's temperature either before coming to the facility or upon arrival at the facility. Upon their arrival, stand at least 6 feet away from the parent/guardian and child.
- Ask the parent/guardian to confirm that the child does not have fever, shortness of breath or cough or any other COVID-19 related symptoms.
- Make a visual inspection of the child for signs of illness which could include flushed cheeks, rapid breathing or difficulty breathing (without recent physical activity), fatigue, or extreme fussiness.
- Have parent sign health attestation sheet on behalf of student.

### **Step #3 – Steps for students who do not pass health screening**

- If Pre-5<sup>th</sup> grade students arrive on campus with no health attestation sticker, parents should be called to obtain a verbal attestation and to remind them to complete a home attestation.
- Refer to Daily COVID-19 Screening Protocols for steps to respond to sick students at school.